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Expedited Procedure  
Examining Group: 1645PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	El-Sherbeini et al.	
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For:	MURC GENE AND ENZYME OF <i>PSEUDOMONAS AERUGINOSA</i>	Examiner: Portner, Virginia Allen

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**37 C.F.R. §1.116 AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**  
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This communication is in response to the Final Official Action which was mailed on January 28, 2005 and which has a shortened statutory period for reply that expires on April 28, 2005. No Extension of Time is believed to be necessary for the filing of this response. However, Applicant Petitions for any Extension of Time found to be necessary. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 13-2755 for the Petition fee and any other fee(s) required to affect this Petition.